

Oregon Psilocybin Services

How to become a licensed psilocybin services facilitator in Oregon

In November 2020, Oregonians passed Measure 109 which is now codified into Oregon law in <u>ORS 475A</u>. This statute establishes a licensing and regulatory framework for psilocybin services in Oregon. Before taking steps to become licensed, please go to: "<u>What is the Oregon Psilocybin Services Act</u>?" and "<u>What are Psilocybin Services</u>?" to learn more.

A licensed facilitator will be present with a client during the three components of psilocybin services, which include a preparation session, administration session, and integration sessions. ORS 475A requires a non-directive approach to psilocybin services, meaning that facilitators will support clients through psilocybin services without directing the client experience.

Many individuals who currently hold professional licenses in Oregon may be interested in becoming licensed facilitators. An individual should work with their professional licensing boards for further guidance on any risks associated with being licensed under ORS 475A.

Licensed Facilitator Requirements:

1) Must be 21 years of age or older.



- 2) Must have a high school diploma or equivalent.
- **3) Must be an Oregon resident** (please note, this requirement expires in 2025).
- 4) Must pass a criminal background check.
- 5) Must complete a psilocybin facilitator training program with a curriculum approved by Oregon Psilocybin Services prior to applying for licensure.
- 6) Must pass an exam administered by Oregon Psilocybin Services.

Steps to Become a Licensed Facilitator

- 1) Enroll in a psilocybin facilitator training program with curriculum approved by Oregon Psilocybin Services. To make sure that the training program is approved, please see the OPS list of approved training programs. This list is automatically updated as training program curriculums are approved. To enroll, please contact the training programs directly for more information. Each training program determines their application process, cost, and duration of their program.
- 2) Successfully complete the psilocybin facilitator training program, including the comprehensive exam administered by the training program.
- 3) Prepare materials for the application process. You will need to provide proof of being 21 years of age or older, proof of a high school diploma or equivalent, and proof of Oregon residency for the past two years (please note this requirement expires in 2025). You may also need a social equity plan and can refer to OPS Social Equity Plan Resources for support in meeting this requirement.
- 4) When you have your materials prepared, begin your license application process with OPS. A link to the online application portal will be available on the OPS Facilitator License webpage.
- 5) The application process includes the OPS Facilitator Exam. A score of 75 percent is passing and an applicant may retake the exam until they pass.
- 6) Once you have initiated a facilitator license application with OPS, you will also be sent more information about how to complete the required background check. To prepare, please see this handout on the OPS Background Check Process.
- 7) You will need to pay a \$150 application fee. The OPS team will review your application as quickly as possible. If you are approved for licensure, you will be required to pay an annual licensure fee of \$2,000. Applicants who are veterans, receiving social security income, receiving food stamp benefits, or are enrolled in the Oregon Health Plan may qualify for a reduced annual licensure fee of \$1,000.
- 8) Please remember that licensed facilitators can only facilitate administration sessions at licensed service centers. It is important to understand <u>ORS 475A</u> and <u>Oregon Administrative Rule</u> requirements.

How People Access Psilocybin Services in Oregon

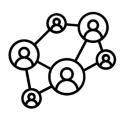
Individuals are able to access psilocybin services for any reason. A prescription or referral from a medical or clinical provider is not required. Clients must be 21 years of age or older and participate in a preparation session with a licensed facilitator before they consume psilocybin during an administration session at a licensed service center.



PREPARATION: A preparation session includes a client intake process, informed consent, a review of a client bill of rights, safety and support planning, transportation planning, and a discussion with a licensed facilitator.



ADMINISTRATION: This is the only time a client may purchase and consume a psilocybin product. Psilocybin products are cultivated and processed by a licensed manufacturer, tested by a licensed laboratory, and provided to a client by a licensed service center. Clients are not allowed to take the psilocybin off-site. Psilocybin products must be consumed in an administration area in a licensed service center.



INTEGRATION: Clients may also participate in optional integration sessions, which are opportunities for the client to integrate their experience and be referred to community resources and peersupport networks.

The Oregon Psilocybin Services Team is committed to providing education and technical assistance to our regulated community. If you have any questions about the licensing process, please contact: Licensing.Psilocybin@oha.oregon.gov

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